[SOFTWARE DELIVERY DEVICE AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING SOFTWARE COPY PROTECTION]

Abstract of Disclosure

A software delivery device includes a connection port for connecting to a computer, a microcontroller, a flash memory comprising a file system and a boot sector, and a software program stored in the flash memory. The microcontroller controls communication between the connection port and the flash memory and blocks communication between the computer and the flash memory when the computer is not booted from the boot sector. An authentication program stored in the microcontroller is executed when the computer is booted to prevent unauthorized duplication and execution of the software.

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